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Please find enclosed for filing:

1. Response to Interview Summary dated January 17, 2006; and
2. Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131;
3. Request for Continued Examination; and
4. Petition for Retroactive Extension of Time.

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Respectfully submitted,

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